

WHAT GIFTS WILL YOU SHARE

CARLSBAD COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER





July 2005

Recreation -

The Name of the Game

The City of Carlsbad Recreation Department strives to offer people of every age and interest a way to play. This is evident in the multiple recreational facilities and special events available to Carlsbad citizens and visitors. More than 35 recreational facilities include active and historic parks, three community centers, Senior Center, and the swim complex. Park amenities and programs range from tennis, basketball, softball and horseshoes, to special enrichment classes and events such as the Snores and S'mores overnight family campout coming up August 20–21. For more information go to www.carlsbadconnect.org.

Carlsbad's many parks cover more than 300 acres currently, and there are plans to set aside a total of 485 acres of parkland throughout the city. Dog lovers can bring their best friends to play at the aptly named Dog Park - the only local facility just for dogs. Two playgrounds are being built at the newly opened Hidden Canyon Park. At Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park volunteers lead students and visitors on tours that include fascinating facts about the actor and his Hollywood parties at the Ranch. At Stagecoach Community Center volunteer coaches keep the ball in the court. There is also a special facility for the young, and perhaps the young at heart, Skatepark - where skateboards rule. As a volunteer you can truly be a part of this community.

Carlsbad has a long history of being on the cutting edge of recreation:

- The first baseball diamond in Carlsbad was at the corner of Carlsbad Boulevard and Grand Avenue.
- Tony Hawk, international champ on the skateboard circuit, has been a long-time resident of Carlsbad.
- Tom Morey created the Boogie Board and began his business on Oak Street in the downtown Village area.

Triathlon a Big Success Thanks to Volunteers



Photo by Peter Nagainis

The Carlsbad Triathlon, now in its 24th year, ranks as one of the world's longest-running triathlons, beginning in 1981 with 375 athletes. This July 1,100 athletes of all ages swam 1 kilometer, biked 25 kilometers, and ran 5 kilometers.

Without volunteers this event would not be possible. This year we had the biggest turnout of volunteers ever...



Photo by Peter Nagainis



Photo by Laura Case

Providing invaluable assistance, volunteers handed water to thirsty athletes, gave times at various points, and helped children decorate visors during Saturday's Seaside Expo.

Thank You!

Sue Irey Volunteer Coordinator sirey@ci.carlsbad.ca.us (760) 434-2929 "A civilization flourishes when people plant trees under which they will never sit."

Greek Proverb

Special Opportunities for You

Snores and S'mores

"Secret Agents and Spies" is the theme for the family campout on Saturday, August 20 at Calavera Hills Community Park. Help the campers decode secret messages and take the spy trivia test. August 20-21, 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. Contact Marc at 760-602-7519 or email mbeas@ci.carlsbad.ca.us.

Scanner

The Community Development Department needs someone to help them scan materials. Come in for a few hours at a time at your convenience until the 15 hours of scanning are complete. Contact Sue at 760-434-2929 or sirey@ci.carlsbad.ca.us.

Czech Translator

Carlsbad volunteers have an amazing range of skills and talents. Who speaks Czech? We need volunteers to act as translators during the visit of the delegation from our sister city Karlovy Vary. Our visitors will be here from September 28 to October 2. Contact Colleen at 760-434-2900 or email cfinn@ci.carlsbad.ca.us.

Grant Reviewer

Help the Arts Office review grants. Make sure that the submissions are complete and follow up on those that are not. Contact Colleen at 760-434-2900 or cfinn@ci.carlsbad.ca.us.

Home Meal Delivery

Take advantage of this special opportunity to make a difference. Provide food to nourish a senior and receive friendship to nourish your heart. Give an hour of your time around noon once a week to deliver a hot meal to homebound residents of Carlsbad. Contact Sue at 760-434-2929 or email sirey@ci.carlsbad.ca.us.

Carlsbad News

Cool Jazz

Summer in Carlsbad wouldn't be complete without **TGIF Jazz in the Parks**. A free TGIF concert takes place every Friday evening through August 26. Come celebrate the 20th anniversary of TGIF Jazz in the Parks – bring friends, family, picnic food and a blanket, and enjoy a relaxing night of music under the Carlsbad stars. For TGIF details, call the Arts InfoLine at 434-2904 or check the City's website at www.carlsbadca.gov.

Free Trees

Nothing beats a shade tree in summer, and nothing beats getting it for free. Now through autumn, homeowners can getup to five trees for FREE. The **San Diego Regional Energy office sponsors the Cool Communities Shade Tree Program**. To learn more about this shady deal, visit www.sdenergy.org or call 888-831-8620. You'll have it made in the shade!

Will the Marines Meet Their Match?

Starting August 3 at 9:00 a.m. come to the Senior Center to pit your wits against Marines over a game board. The Marines will be playing games and talking with seniors at 799 Pine Avenue every Wednesday in August.

Farmers' Market

If you frequent the Wednesday afternoon **Farmers' Markets in the Village**, you know how popular they are. In fact, they're so popular, now there is an additional Farmers' Market on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Fresh produce and flowers are available for you every Wednesday from 2-5:00 p.m. and now on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until noon on Roosevelt between Carlsbad Village Drive and Grand.

Visit the City's "Newly-Renovated" Website

Carlsbad's Technology Department has "spiffed" up the City's website and given it a new web address. Check it out at www.carlsbadca.gov. If you forget and use the old web address, you will automatically be directed to the new one. Happy surfing!